

ONLINE Health Care Degree Programs

CharterOak STATE COLLEGE

A Higher Degree of **Online** Learning

Health Care Degrees and Certificate Programs



Flexible and affordable degree programs
for health care careers



Quality Online, Accredited Educational Programs for Health Care Professionals

Charter Oak State College is leading the way in high quality, accredited online degree programs. Whether you are looking to advance your current health care career or join the health care profession, we have what you are looking for. Our online degree and Certificate programs are designed for busy, working adults who need the flexibility to add to their professional credentials while pursuing their field.

Bachelor's Degrees

Health Information Management, Bachelor of Science

Our CAHIIM Accredited Health Information Management bachelor's degree equips students with the health care knowledge and skills needed to manage patient data and improve patient care in today's health care environments. Knowledge of the electronic management of sensitive patient health information and health care organization revenue cycle management is critical for success in the health care field today. This program's comprehensive curriculum is guided by the principle of quality health care through quality information.



The HIM Bachelor of Science program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIIM).

HIM professionals work in roles such as HIM Manager/Supervisor, Electronic Health Record Manager, Revenue Cycle Manager, Privacy Officer, Medical Practice Manager, as well as many others.

Students completing the HIM degree are prepared to sit for the RHIA exam.

Health Care Administration, Bachelor of Science

The Health Care Administration bachelor's degree program is designed to provide professionals presently working in the health care industry with the knowledge required to create, implement, and efficiently administer programs and services delivered by health care organizations. The program has been carefully structured to instill a comprehensive understanding of the legal, ethical, economic, and customer service aspects of the health care industry.

Typical roles include Clinical Manager, Hospital Administrator, Client Service Manager, Direct Care Counselor, Medical Practice Manager, Nursing Home Administrator, Medical Claims Auditor, and many more.

Master's Degrees

While earning a master's degree, you gain specialized knowledge to advance in your field and enhance your industry expertise and credibility in an ever-changing environment.

Health Informatics, Master of Science

The Health Informatics master's degree program is ideal for those interested in the improvement of health system processes by utilizing data and technology. This is an immersive health care management degree that focuses on the technical components of health care to help reduce medical errors, increase efficiencies, reduce costs, and improve patient care.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics cites employment in the Health Informatics field is projected to grow 15% through 2024.

Health Care Administration, Master of Science

This program is for those seeking management or leadership roles in a health care environment. Health care administrators keep the nation's health care organizations running efficiently thus our curriculum focuses on leadership and strategic management skills and trends, quality and performance improvement, community health planning and advocacy, organizational theory, finance, health law, and research methods in health services administration.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics cites the aging U.S. population will create over 72,000 jobs for Health Care Administrators by 2026.

Our Certificate Programs help you do your best work!

Cancer Registry Management - This specialized Certificate is for Associate degreed professionals looking to work as Cancer Registrars in the Health Information Management field. These data information specialists are responsible for collecting and reporting cancer statistics of U.S. cancer patients for use by researchers, health care providers, and public health officials.

Clinical Documentation Improvement (CDI) - This specialized Certificate allows Associate degreed professionals to utilize related skills to ensure high quality record documentation in any health care setting. It also prepares students for the CDIP exam.

Health Information Fundamentals - This Certificate is designed for students who are employed in an administrative staff position within health care, primarily in an HIM department, who are looking to gain a better understanding of HIM and want to advance in their career.

Health Information Management - Qualify for the RHIA exam! The Certificate in Health Information Management is designed for students who have a regionally accredited bachelor's degree who wish to qualify for the Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA) credential exam administered by AHIMA.

Health Insurance Customer Service - The Certificate in Health Insurance Customer Service is designed for students who are interested in career development within the Health Insurance industry. It is also appropriate for individuals seeking to transition into the Health Insurance industry.

Leadership in Health Care Administration - This Certificate is primarily intended for students who are already employed in the health care industry (clinical, allied health, insurance, medical office, etc.) and are seeking career advancement. All courses may be completed online, and all credits will apply toward degree requirements at Charter Oak State College. Courses include topics such as *Ethical Issues in Health Care*, *Economics of Health Care*, and *Health Care Law*.

Medical Coding - This Certificate is designed for those interested in the profession of medical coding and wish to earn a medical coding credential from AHIMA or AAPC. The Certificate in Medical Coding equips students with the health care knowledge and skills needed to analyze and code patient data and improve reimbursement and data in today's health care environments.

Physician Practice Management - This Certificate is suitable for Associate degreed professionals wishing to manage a physician practice. Courses cover insurance plans, health care business processes and best practices, medical office accounting, physician reimbursement, human resource management, electronic health records, HIPAA regulations, data privacy and more.

Provider Credentialing Specialist - This specialized Certificate is for those employed in health care organizations whose role is to verify that professional training, certifications, and licensing of the health care professionals in their organization is up to date and in compliance with state and federal regulations.

The *U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics* cites that as the large baby-boom population ages and people remain active later in life, the health care industry as a whole will see an increase in demand for medical services including health care workers, health care facilities, and greater needs for managers who organize and manage medical information and health care staff.



Use the Credits You've Earned! We accept credits from:

- ACE evaluated military credit
- Certified Coding Specialist (CCS): 22 credits
- Certified Professional Coder (CPC): 19 credits
- Certified Professional Compliance Officer (CPCO): 23 credits
- Certified Professional Medical Auditor (CPMA): 25 credits
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN): 16 credits
- Medical Laboratory Technician: 21 credits
- Pharmacy Technician: 15 credits
- Radiological Technologist: 33 credits
- Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT): 36 credits
- Registered Nurse (RN): 45 credits
- Respiratory Technician: 23 credits
- Respiratory Therapist: 39 credits

Advance your Career... Change your Life

Charter Oak State College is Connecticut's public online college offering associate and bachelor's degree programs and certificates in a number of high-demand fields including Health Information Management, Health Care Administration, Medical Coding, as well as many other workforce relevant programs of study. Our students complete degrees and certificates by taking online courses and combining other sources of credit. Our institution is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education.



The *U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics* reports the median annual wage for medical and health services managers was \$98,350 in April 2018 and job growth for all health care administrators is projected to grow 20% through 2026, much faster than the average for all occupations.

"A month prior to completing the practicum, passing the RHIA exam, and graduating I was offered a supervisory role at a major city hospital system."

"There is so much that HIM professionals can do to greatly improve health care just by coordinating that care among entities, all without needing to see patients directly. The work that needs to be done and the opportunity I saw to make a big difference is what attracted me to this degree."

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